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In re:

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MINIATURE ELECTRICAL RELAYS

USING A PIEZOELECTRIC THIN FILM AS AN ACTUATING ELEMENT, AND METHODS OF FABRICATING THE SAME

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Group Art Unit: 2834

Examiner: Mark O. Budd

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Examiner Budd:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 20, 2002, please amend as follows:

## In The Claims:

Please amend Claim 1, accordingly:

## 1. A microelectronic relay comprising:

a support structure, wherein the support structure includes a continuous planar section having a first portion and a second portion;

a first contact mounted on the first portion of the support structure, wherein the first contact comprises an upper surface and a lower surface, and wherein the lower surface is adjacent the first portion of the support structure;

a second contact mounted on the second portion of the support structure and comprising an upper surface and a lower surface, wherein a portion of the second contact is co-planar planar with respect to the first contact, and wherein at least a portion of the

